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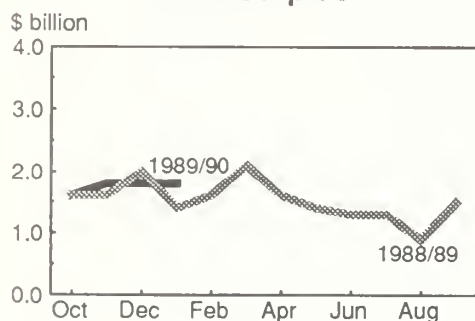
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U.S. Agricultural Trade Update

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Trade Surplus



January Trade Surplus Edges Lower

The January agricultural trade surplus fell \$63 million from the previous month to \$1.7 billion. January exports increased 6 percent to \$3.8 billion. Imports rose 15 percent to \$2.0 billion. The cumulative trade surplus for October 1989-January 1990 totaled \$6.9 billion, 6 percent ahead of the same period a year ago (table 3).

January Exports Higher - U.S.

agricultural exports totaled \$3.8 billion in January, 6 percent above the previous month. Increases in cotton, soybeans, fruits and vegetables, meats, cattle hides, grain sorghum, animal feeds, and tobacco more than offset decreases in live animals, corn, wheat, and rice. October-January exports totaled \$14.4 billion, 6 percent ahead of last year's pace.

Corn exports maintained their torrid pace in January with shipments of 6.1 million tons valued at \$687 million. At 1.9 million tons, the Soviet Union was the largest importer. Other major markets during January included Japan (1.2 million tons), Korea (595,000 tons), Taiwan (516,000 tons), Mexico (391,000 tons), and Spain (350,000 tons). Export price remained at \$113 a ton.

Soybean exports shot up 16 percent in January with shipments of 2.1 million tons valued at \$472 million. The EC took nearly 1.2 million tons, followed by Japan (280,000 tons), Taiwan (237,000 tons), and Eastern Europe (158,000 tons).

Soybean meal exports also remained high at 517,000 tons, slightly above the December figure. The Soviet Union was the primary market (316,000 tons), followed by Canada (47,000 tons) and Algeria (46,000 tons). U.S. soybean exports often surge in the winter and early spring just before Brazilian and Argentine meal come into the export market.

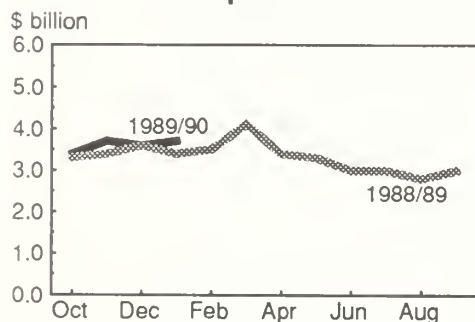
Wheat exports totaled 2.1 million tons in January valued at \$347 million, another disappointing month. Exports to China (334,000 tons) slightly exceeded shipments the previous month. Other major markets during January were the Soviet Union (315,000 tons), Pakistan (202,000), Egypt (196,000 tons), and Sri Lanka (101,000 tons). Shipments to the Soviet Union were the first significant amounts in fiscal 1990.

Cotton exports totaled 191,000 tons in January, a 28 percent increase from the previous month. Export value also increased 28 percent to \$321 million. The major cotton markets included Japan (41,000), Korea (35,000 tons), the EC (33,000 tons), and China (22,000 tons).

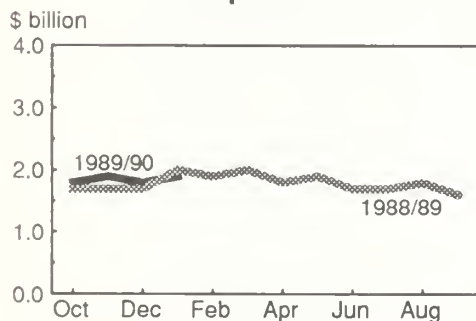
Agricultural imports were up 15 percent in January to \$2.0 billion. Fresh fruits, juices, and vegetables were at record levels in January, raising total fruit and vegetable imports 61 percent from the previous month to \$629 million. December's freeze damage in the United States accounted for most of the increase. Cocoa imports nearly doubled in January to \$70 million.

Coffee imports reached \$166 million in January, up 18 percent from December. World coffee prices recently experienced a rise due to market uncertainty in Brazil and possible supply problems in the Ivory Coast, Mexico, and Central America (table 6). (Steve Milmo, 202-786-1822)

Exports



Imports



California Top Exporter in Fiscal 1989

For the fifth consecutive year, California led all States in the exports of agricultural commodities, based on ERS estimates. Exports of fruits, vegetables, nuts, cotton, wheat, rice, and seeds accounted for much of the State's \$3.6 billion total. Other major exporters included Nebraska, Iowa, Kansas, Texas, Illinois, Minnesota, Indiana, Washington, and Missouri (table 4). (Steve Milmo, 202-786-1822)

Table 1--U.S. agricultural exports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity group and unit	October-January				January			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1988/89	1989/90	1988/89	1989/90	1989	1990	1989	1990
Total agricultural exports (NA)	--	--	13,618,754	14,362,865	--	--	3,354,587	3,758,484
Animals & animal prods (NA)	--	--	2,230,951	2,142,134	--	--	439,755	520,310
Animals live - excl poultry (NA)	--	--	257,279	183,622	--	--	43,130	35,288
Cattle & calves - live (NO)	149	45	87,745	33,517	35	11	17,735	7,264
Horses, mules, burros-live (NO)	11	20	132,285	132,004	3	8	18,126	22,701
Swine - live (NO)	133	28	14,495	4,183	39	13	3,902	1,043
Sheep, live (NO)	97	131	3,807	3,990	28	31	1,079	1,026
Other live animals (NA)	--	--	18,947	9,928	--	--	2,287	3,254
Meats and meat products (MT)	256	314	750,173	773,707	57	70	155,581	188,330
Beef & veal (MT)	89	132	430,894	449,333	21	26	87,574	108,475
Beef & veal - fresh or frozen (MT)	87	129	423,051	438,990	21	25	85,946	106,430
Beef - prepared or preserved (MT)	2	3	7,842	10,343	0	1	1,628	2,045
Horsemeat-fr, chill, froz (MT)	18	19	39,169	46,450	5	4	10,111	10,978
Pork (MT)	27	37	99,021	128,619	7	9	24,123	29,197
Pork - fresh or froz (MT)	23	31	87,806	115,701	6	7	22,120	26,658
Pork - prep or preserved (MT)	4	5	11,214	12,918	1	1	2,003	2,539
Variety meats, edible offals (MT)	112	83	162,841	116,933	20	20	30,013	31,169
Other meats - fresh or prep (MT)	10	44	18,249	32,372	4	12	3,759	8,511
Poultry & poultry prods (NA)	--	--	243,705	252,043	--	--	45,215	61,460
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	24,085	27,517	--	--	4,547	6,359
Baby chicks (NO)	12,198	10,961	21,391	23,064	2,429	2,532	4,156	5,011
Other live poultry (NA)	--	--	2,694	4,453	--	--	391	1,349
Poultry meats (MT)	142	178	167,975	183,169	30	36	31,931	45,360
Chickens - fresh or froz (MT)	128	162	148,547	156,942	28	31	27,858	35,941
Turkeys - fresh or frozen (MT)	6	6	7,646	9,188	1	1	1,267	2,385
Other poultry - fresh or froz (MT)	4	5	5,750	5,199	1	1	1,439	1,344
Poultry meats - prep or pres (MT)	3	5	6,032	11,839	1	2	1,367	5,689
Feathers & downs, crude (MT)	1	0	8,228	8,119	0	0	1,922	2,821
Eggs (NA)	--	--	43,418	33,238	--	--	6,816	6,919
Dairy products (NA)	--	--	166,159	94,070	--	--	21,095	18,496
Evaporated & condensed milk (MT)	1	1	1,357	785	0	0	123	252
Nonfat dry milk (MT)	40	8	55,435	10,011	2	0	2,968	538
Butter & anhydrous milkfat (MT)	2	9	2,205	14,370	0	1	110	1,596
Cheese (MT)	7	4	13,673	8,668	1	1	2,578	2,016
Whey, fluid or dried (NA)	--	--	16,434	9,902	--	--	2,739	2,709
Other dairy products (NA)	--	--	77,055	50,334	--	--	12,577	11,384
Fats, oils, and greases (MT)	465	455	188,368	164,909	98	96	39,625	34,716
Lard (MT)	22	15	10,991	7,076	5	4	2,254	1,865
Tallow - inedible (MT)	380	363	146,568	125,972	77	70	29,868	24,410
Other animal fats & oils (MT)	63	77	30,809	31,861	17	22	7,503	8,440
Hides & skins, incl furs (NA)	--	--	534,299	580,952	--	--	114,315	156,797
Cattle hides - whole (NO)	7,959	8,698	436,342	451,161	1,609	2,264	83,640	114,718
Other cattle hides - pieces (NA)	--	--	9,338	14,165	--	--	2,156	3,358
Other hides & skins, ex furs (NA)	--	--	54,121	68,871	--	--	12,772	19,430
Furskins (NA)	--	--	34,499	46,754	--	--	15,746	19,292
Mink pelts (NO)	546	922	18,855	27,220	224	408	8,067	10,157
Other furskins (NA)	--	--	15,644	19,535	--	--	7,680	9,135
Wool and mohair (MT)	2	3	13,491	16,032	0	1	2,620	5,463
Sausage casings (MT)	4	4	9,603	12,369	1	1	2,012	2,503
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	18,574	21,317	--	--	4,320	3,951
Misc animal prods - other (NA)	--	--	49,299	43,112	--	--	11,843	13,305
Grains and feeds (MT)	36,493	42,096	5,307,075	5,749,594	9,716	10,677	1,404,727	1,482,389
Wheat, unmilled (MT)	10,953	8,656	1,708,262	1,407,357	3,153	2,132	507,036	346,663
Wheat flour (MT)	427	369	76,196	84,892	82	96	16,821	22,169
Bulgur wheat (MT)	32	10	7,622	1,538	2	2	408	533
Other wheat products (MT)	3	5	3,442	4,793	1	1	919	1,156
Rice- paddy, milled, parboiled (MT)	1,035	1,053	317,124	345,177	233	246	68,942	82,105
Feed grains and products (MT)	20,142	27,934	2,483,182	3,133,771	5,295	7,068	652,799	807,539
Feed grains (MT)	20,048	27,806	2,450,575	3,091,140	5,274	7,037	644,490	797,002
Barley (MT)	416	551	51,016	67,154	2	136	222	16,905
Corn (MT)	17,135	24,517	2,114,537	2,722,723	4,447	6,060	551,121	686,717
Grain sorghums (MT)	2,470	2,734	281,870	300,712	822	841	92,827	93,262
Oats (MT)	4	4	452	491	2	1	223	118
Rye (MT)	24	1	2,700	60	1	0	98	0
Feed grain products (MT)	94	128	32,607	42,632	21	30	8,308	10,537
Popcorn (MT)	19	26	11,735	14,678	4	7	2,253	4,286
Blended food products (MT)	64	53	20,728	16,118	16	25	4,368	7,704
Other grain products (MT)	95	197	64,802	113,448	25	43	14,042	30,951
Feeds & fodders, excl oilcake (MT)	3,723	3,794	613,983	627,822	907	1,056	137,140	179,282
Corn by-products (MT)	2,004	1,846	298,890	266,895	378	402	58,047	61,149
Alfalfa meal & cubes (MT)	184	192	27,317	28,713	31	48	4,552	7,275
Beet pulp (MT)	244	196	31,237	24,371	56	84	6,808	10,761
Citrus pulp pellets (MT)	196	150	23,197	16,112	167	135	19,533	14,245
Other feeds & fodders (MT)	1,094	1,410	233,342	291,731	275	386	48,200	85,852
Fruits and prep, excluding juice (MT)	657	700	475,146	523,581	161	177	106,122	123,233
Fruits - fresh (MT)	546	580	328,059	357,373	137	147	75,437	82,639
Fruits, fresh citrus (MT)	277	267	149,745	160,701	92	82	47,625	43,533
Grapefruit - fresh (MT)	133	111	63,197	58,891	49	24	23,760	12,330
Lemons & limes - fresh (MT)	51	45	34,831	35,470	11	11	6,291	6,503
Oranges & tangerines - fresh (MT)	91	111	50,021	66,041	32	47	17,512	24,592
Fruits, fresh noncitrus (MT)	269	313	178,315	196,672	45	66	27,812	39,106
Apples - fresh (MT)	145	174	71,559	82,652	28	44	14,066	19,828
Grapes - fresh (MT)	61	57	56,397	57,303	6	2	5,509	3,865
Other noncitrus - fresh (MT)	63	81	50,359	56,717	11	19	8,237	15,413
Fruits - dried (MT)	61	69	96,898	110,630	14	19	20,498	28,286
Raisins - dried (MT)	34	36	52,290	57,217	8	12	11,901	16,805
Prunes - dried (MT)	24	30	37,123	46,511	6	6	7,596	9,874
Other dried fruits (MT)	3	3	7,486	6,903	1	1	1,002	1,607

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Commodity group and unit	October-January				January			
	Thousand Units		\$ Thousands		Thousand units		\$ Thousands	
	1988/89	1989/90	1988/89	1989/90	1989	1990	1989	1990
Fruits - canned ex juice (MT)	27	25	28,177	26,348	4	6	3,900	6,033
Fruits - frozen, excl juice (MT)	10	10	8,753	9,615	2	2	1,739	1,976
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	12	16	13,259	19,614	4	3	4,547	4,299
Fruit juices incl frozen (HL)	1,326	1,606	66,251	85,290	270	539	15,189	30,276
Orange juice (HL)	631	914	33,528	45,305	137	301	7,408	14,761
Other fruit juices (HL)	695	692	32,723	39,985	133	238	7,781	15,515
Wine (HL)	52	224	22,329	29,317	38	50	4,281	6,050
Nuts and preparations (MT)	214	240	388,909	370,636	35	42	66,815	60,378
Almonds (shelled basis) (MT)	68	55	209,484	172,745	15	10	44,613	34,338
Peanuts, shelled or prep (MT)	81	121	66,358	72,744	17	29	13,925	17,234
Walnuts, shelled/unshelled (MT)	55	55	81,738	97,001	1	1	3,184	2,822
Pecans, shelled or unshelled (MT)	1	1	3,621	4,454	0	0	612	1,562
Other nuts, shelled or prep (MT)	9	8	27,709	23,691	1	2	4,481	4,423
Vegetables and preparations (NA)	--	--	506,313	650,662	--	--	95,511	181,485
Vegetables - fresh (MT)	224	262	99,404	127,823	50	106	20,195	60,175
Celery - fresh (MT)	21	26	6,809	9,893	6	11	1,849	5,240
Cauliflower - fresh (MT)	8	16	4,930	8,818	2	7	1,312	3,814
Lettuce - fresh (MT)	58	61	18,593	24,321	13	21	4,005	11,295
Onions - fresh (MT)	53	49	14,743	13,043	10	13	2,846	4,261
Potatoes - fresh (MT)	14	16	5,325	5,989	7	8	2,607	3,199
Tomatoes - fresh (MT)	21	25	13,752	18,136	4	6	2,726	6,409
Other fresh vegetables (MT)	48	70	35,252	47,622	7	40	4,851	25,957
Vegetables - frozen (MT)	86	99	64,205	76,330	19	26	13,518	21,124
Corn, sweet, frozen (MT)	19	20	14,373	16,061	4	5	3,369	4,055
Potatoes - frozen (MT)	49	58	33,459	40,052	10	15	6,619	10,887
Other frozen vegetables (MT)	19	21	16,373	20,217	4	6	3,530	6,182
Vegetables - canned (MT)	76	69	65,088	62,302	12	17	10,929	14,494
Pulses (MT)	195	260	105,220	144,031	29	51	15,616	25,388
Dried beans (MT)	139	189	83,654	118,065	17	37	11,680	20,515
Dried peas (MT)	42	53	14,297	17,136	9	11	2,867	3,328
Dried lentils (MT)	14	18	7,269	8,829	2	3	1,069	1,545
Hops, incl hop extract (MT)	4	6	25,595	35,220	1	1	3,967	4,075
Other veg - prep or pres (NA)	--	--	146,802	204,955	--	--	31,285	56,228
Oilseeds and products (MT)	9,225	10,208	2,914,912	2,518,529	2,468	2,743	763,379	674,880
Oilcake and meal (MT)	1,923	1,632	550,152	361,664	498	523	143,012	115,272
Soybean meal (MT)	1,871	1,607	540,436	357,175	497	517	142,681	114,189
Other oilcake & meal (MT)	51	24	9,716	4,489	1	6	330	1,083
Oilseeds (MT)	6,859	8,156	2,085,335	1,910,537	1,860	2,114	558,912	495,975
Soybeans (MT)	6,720	7,965	1,991,674	1,798,039	1,804	2,076	530,537	471,802
Sunflowerseeds (MT)	36	43	20,398	22,325	11	13	5,300	6,864
Peanuts, incl oilstock (MT)	30	31	25,219	21,838	5	5	4,314	3,638
Other oilseeds (MT)	47	94	14,218	26,165	36	15	11,130	5,068
Protein substances (MT)	26	24	33,826	42,170	4	5	7,631	8,604
Vegetable oils (MT)	444	420	279,425	246,328	110	106	61,456	63,633
Soybean oil (MT)	242	185	136,914	88,836	47	43	24,298	21,866
Cottonseed oil (MT)	45	64	22,442	29,484	21	16	8,969	7,156
Sunflower oil (MT)	47	56	25,665	29,033	12	18	6,054	9,275
Corn oil (MT)	53	60	33,131	36,416	17	15	10,439	9,106
Other veg oils & waxes (MT)	58	56	61,273	62,561	12	13	11,697	16,230
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	83	90	510,164	534,739	26	20	163,954	121,826
Tobacco - light air-cured (MT)	8	7	49,296	41,952	3	3	20,302	16,297
Tobacco - flue cured (MT)	60	65	395,226	414,496	19	13	129,726	86,110
Other tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	15	19	65,643	78,290	4	4	13,926	19,419
Cotton, excluding linters (MT)	389	566	542,766	930,504	105	191	143,197	320,524
Cotton linters (MT)	19	15	7,048	6,061	6	5	2,277	2,085
Essential oils (MT)	4	5	55,320	60,497	2	2	21,997	18,924
Seeds - field and garden (MT)	150	190	196,606	248,301	32	72	44,212	86,936
Sugar and tropical products (MT)	262	799	265,256	273,539	43	522	47,231	69,706
Sugar and related products (MT)	216	750	78,240	119,102	32	510	15,603	29,141
Sugar - cane or beet (MT)	98	155	36,891	61,788	24	25	8,285	10,134
Related sugar products (MT)	117	595	41,349	57,314	8	485	7,318	19,007
Coffee (MT)	6	6	31,843	38,885	3	1	11,117	9,547
Cocoa (MT)	3	5	8,471	13,099	1	2	3,420	4,814
Chocolate & prep (MT)	16	22	58,442	68,146	3	5	9,928	16,702
Tea & mate (MT)	1	3	5,316	12,219	0	1	1,080	3,610
Spices (MT)	3	3	9,325	8,691	1	1	2,097	3,299
Rubber - crude natural (MT)	11	7	18,547	12,232	2	2	3,764	2,417
Other misc vegetable products (MT)	9	10	67,569	89,495	2	3	13,513	17,819
Nursery & greenhouse prods (NA)	--	--	28,063	43,847	--	--	8,331	14,988
Beverages excluding juices (NA)	--	--	34,075	106,140	--	--	14,097	26,675
Selected non-ag exports (NA)	--	--	3,198,425	3,703,060	--	--	746,480	888,420
Fertilizers (NA)	--	--	844,518	787,984	--	--	209,570	200,045
Fish and shellfish (MT)	187	180	485,193	517,629	28	54	89,099	115,107
Fish - fresh or prepared (MT)	80	118	254,223	263,711	16	30	46,998	61,935
Shellfish (MT)	25	33	152,282	194,454	8	8	30,548	35,678
Other fish products (MT)	82	29	78,688	59,464	4	17	11,553	17,494
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	89	68	513,466	405,616	26	19	122,494	117,003
Fungicides (MT)	10	8	64,834	61,930	2	2	10,356	19,407
Herbicides (MT)	48	31	275,370	187,889	12	7	66,785	47,529
Insecticides (MT)	19	17	116,617	63,551	7	6	21,355	23,918
Other pesticides (MT)	11	12	56,645	92,246	5	4	23,999	26,149
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	364,265	619,436	--	--	124,023	159,420
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	20	10	149,803	209,017	1	3	35,414	45,598
Other ag machinery & parts (NA)	--	--	214,463	410,419	--	--	88,609	113,822
Tobacco - manufactures (NA)	--	--	990,983	1,372,395	--	--	201,294	296,846

Preliminary data.

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity

Commodity and unit	October-January				January			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1988/89	1989/90	1988/89	1989/90	1989	1990	1989	1990
Total agricultural imports (NA)	--	--	7,097,858	7,436,810	--	--	1,946,663	2,012,451
Noncompetitive ag imports (NA)	--	--	2,080,715	1,853,720	--	--	612,333	498,585
Bananas and plantains (MT)	995	1,071	277,072	305,961	265	284	73,657	82,749
Coffee, including products (MT)	322	467	786,037	699,836	100	120	228,317	177,160
Cocoa and products (MT)	188	198	328,450	307,204	68	72	121,528	92,660
Tea (MT)	28	31	41,161	50,787	7	8	10,301	13,646
Spices (MT)	34	35	93,042	80,935	10	9	20,052	21,948
Rubber and allied gums, crude (MT)	325	286	397,180	244,316	101	72	118,636	59,428
Silk, raw (MT)	0	0	2,428	5,459	0	0	430	2,154
Wool, unmanufactured-carpet (MT)	4	5	14,785	16,630	1	2	4,376	5,139
Fibers, excluding cotton (MT)	17	30	9,076	14,017	9	8	3,836	3,607
Essential oils (MT)	6	9	48,911	46,813	2	3	12,848	13,455
Drugs, crude natural (MT)	21	22	77,371	81,497	5	12	18,353	26,637
Other noncompetitive imports (NA)	--	--	5,203	266	--	--	0	2
Competitive ag imports (NA)	--	--	5,017,143	5,583,090	--	--	1,334,330	1,513,866
Animals and products (NA)	--	--	1,675,452	1,844,770	--	--	470,563	460,546
Animals-live, excl poultry (NO)	880	1,073	273,131	357,768	329	306	92,521	93,041
Cattle and calves (NO)	412	705	201,748	297,400	159	181	70,787	76,610
Horses and mules, live (NO)	4	5	29,134	25,829	1	1	5,703	4,145
Swine, live (NO)	432	349	39,547	33,352	163	119	15,449	11,908
Sheep, live (NO)	6	11	578	815	6	5	578	360
Other live animals (NO)	26	2	2,124	372	0	0	4	18
Meats & prods, ex poultry (MT)	365	364	800,676	910,524	115	94	243,523	238,631
Beef and veal (MT)	214	245	473,439	614,448	75	65	163,143	167,972
Beef & veal, fresh or froz (MT)	190	217	413,543	532,894	69	58	148,276	146,952
Beef & veal - prep or pres (MT)	23	28	59,896	81,554	6	7	14,867	21,020
Pork (MT)	136	100	283,052	250,838	35	24	69,028	60,841
Pork, fresh or frozen (MT)	85	64	137,172	123,348	24	16	38,088	29,230
Pork, prep or preserved (MT)	51	36	145,881	127,490	11	9	30,940	31,611
Mutton, goat, and lamb (MT)	6	7	12,868	13,664	2	1	3,821	3,244
Mutton goat & lamb-fr/frz (MT)	6	7	12,153	13,664	2	1	3,821	3,244
Mutton goat lamb-prep/pres (MT)	0	0	716	0	0	0	0	0
Horsemeat, fresh or frozen (MT)	0	0	6	49	0	0	0	49
Variety meats - fr or froz (MT)	3	4	4,991	6,223	1	1	2,278	1,506
Other meats - fr or froz (MT)	2	1	11,231	6,029	0	0	1,748	668
Other meats & prods (MT)	5	7	15,088	19,272	1	1	3,504	4,352
Poultry and products (NA)	--	--	38,259	49,185	--	--	9,056	14,115
Poultry - live (NA)	--	--	3,196	5,945	--	--	1,530	1,844
Poultry meat (MT)	2	1	5,501	5,880	0	0	936	1,496
Eggs (NA)	--	--	5,858	7,559	--	--	1,680	1,797
Feathers & down - crude (MT)	4	6	23,705	29,802	1	2	4,910	8,978
Dairy products (NA)	--	--	299,106	335,321	--	--	54,887	67,546
Milk & cream, fr or dried (MT)	5	5	5,235	5,069	2	2	2,482	1,437
Butter & butterfat mixtures (MT)	1	1	1,684	2,404	1	0	1,046	523
Cheese (MT)	43	51	137,637	157,042	7	8	22,192	25,195
Casein & mixtures (MT)	20	32	90,058	150,731	5	7	24,951	34,477
Other dairy prods (NA)	--	--	64,492	20,077	--	--	4,216	5,913
Fats, oils, & greases (MT)	6	5	5,633	4,693	2	1	1,137	1,048
Hides and skins (NA)	--	--	89,490	51,152	--	--	24,597	11,085
Sheep and lamb skins (MT)	2	2	12,245	11,741	1	1	2,802	3,938
Other hides & skins (NA)	--	--	23,634	19,030	--	--	6,731	5,479
Furskins (NA)	--	--	53,611	20,381	--	--	15,065	1,668
Wool, unmfng, apparel grades (MT)	14	14	89,581	62,014	4	3	23,928	12,201
Sausage casings (MT)	5	4	23,067	16,387	1	1	4,751	4,918
Bull semen (NA)	--	--	1,464	860	--	--	520	197
Miscellaneous animal prods (NA)	--	--	55,043	56,864	--	--	15,643	17,763
Grains and feeds (MT)	1,078	1,234	354,023	427,524	317	256	90,295	85,476
Wheat, excluding seed (MT)	117	160	18,759	25,338	22	27	3,757	3,779
Corn, unmilled (MT)	4	18	370	1,857	4	4	370	486
Oats, unmilled (MT)	316	396	45,050	40,764	105	82	13,134	8,452
Barley, unmilled (MT)	68	79	11,563	12,979	16	18	2,838	2,885
Rice (MT)	35	40	17,119	21,657	9	11	4,227	5,779
Biscuits & wafers (MT)	50	61	110,567	135,129	12	11	22,010	22,470
Pasta & noodles (MT)	36	47	29,227	42,394	8	10	6,473	10,014
Other grains & preps (NA)	--	--	57,350	59,882	--	--	15,250	13,550
Feeds & fodders, ex oilcake (MT)	367	343	64,018	87,524	114	75	22,237	18,061
Fruits & preps (MT)	463	506	289,719	315,699	179	205	106,205	124,450
Fruits - fresh or frozen (MT)	289	316	149,654	167,073	137	158	72,985	88,411
Strawberries (MT)	9	9	9,731	10,667	4	4	3,474	4,168
Apples, fresh (MT)	25	24	9,612	7,417	5	4	1,957	1,511
Citrus, fresh (MT)	41	37	9,852	9,878	9	9	2,346	2,858
Grapes, fresh (MT)	47	62	38,918	55,227	36	50	30,510	44,336
Mangoes (MT)	1	1	655	434	1	0	522	191
Melons (MT)	88	97	24,304	24,090	53	57	14,152	13,637
Pineapples (MT)	26	33	11,011	14,540	6	8	3,147	3,277
Other fruits - fr or froz (MT)	53	53	45,571	44,820	23	25	16,877	18,432
Fruits - prep or pres (MT)	174	190	140,064	148,626	42	47	33,220	36,038
Pineapples - canned or prep (MT)	86	94	52,855	52,908	25	23	16,230	12,839
Other fruits - prep or pres (MT)	88	96	87,209	95,718	17	24	16,991	23,199
Orange juice (HL)	6,235	8,062	234,619	214,736	1,158	2,632	43,611	73,703
Other fruit juices (HL)	4,831	4,058	111,781	94,467	1,119	1,061	27,093	25,720

Table 2--U.S. agricultural imports: Quantity and value by commodity -- continued

Commodity and unit	October-January				January			
	Thousand units		Thousand dollars		Thousand units		Thousand dollars	
	1988/89	1989/90	1988/89	1989/90	1989	1990	1989	1990
Nuts and preparations (MT)	49	58	116,276	135,403	8	12	21,504	29,655
Brazil nuts (MT)	2	3	5,881	6,615	0	0	861	671
Cashew nuts (MT)	14	18	66,432	72,311	3	4	13,783	18,153
Chestnuts (MT)	4	4	8,244	9,694	0	0	117	27
Coconut meat (MT)	15	19	13,894	15,429	3	5	2,340	3,850
Filberts (MT)	2	0	5,047	282	0	0	38	57
Macademia nuts (MT)	1	1	7,156	6,443	0	0	1,481	1,415
Pistachio nuts (MT)	0	1	7,745	5,198	0	0	247	1,115
Other nuts (MT)	12	12	8,878	19,431	2	3	2,636	4,365
Vegetables and preparations (NA)	--	--	584,641	793,914	--	--	202,618	322,371
Vegetables, fresh or frozen (MT)	599	725	285,455	454,743	267	291	129,921	235,091
Tomatoes (MT)	91	141	44,901	129,874	48	70	27,440	94,636
Asparagus (MT)	3	5	4,849	8,576	1	2	1,213	3,784
Beans (MT)	8	9	7,831	10,621	6	4	5,671	5,946
Carrots (MT)	28	33	6,484	6,005	6	8	1,345	1,612
Cucumbers (MT)	95	101	34,859	39,793	49	42	20,877	15,064
Eggplant (MT)	8	5	3,641	6,241	5	3	2,142	3,674
Garlic (MT)	1	4	1,039	4,199	1	1	816	1,510
Lettuce (MT)	9	7	3,438	2,733	9	5	3,438	1,836
Onions (MT)	37	44	25,275	24,901	15	18	7,198	8,641
Peas, incl chickpeas (MT)	19	17	16,322	18,342	5	5	5,918	8,682
Peppers (MT)	46	53	29,275	59,831	31	30	15,968	38,598
Potatoes (MT)	91	103	23,089	26,865	35	28	8,822	7,723
Squash (MT)	32	40	13,941	23,887	16	20	6,632	14,558
Other vegs - fr or froz (MT)	130	164	70,509	92,875	39	55	22,440	28,825
Vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	--	--	299,186	339,171	--	--	72,697	87,280
Olives - prep or pres (MT)	24	25	45,040	52,249	5	4	9,292	8,074
Mushrooms, canned (MT)	8	13	19,011	30,578	3	3	6,822	7,803
Hops, incl extract (MT)	1	3	5,549	14,561	1	3	4,322	12,008
Artichokes - prep (MT)	2	5	4,875	9,857	1	1	1,162	1,441
Asparagus - prep (MT)	1	1	2,657	1,013	0	0	704	164
Tomatoes, incl paste, sauce (MT)	57	43	39,547	39,794	9	9	8,086	9,016
Waterchestnuts (MT)	8	10	5,977	7,928	2	4	1,317	3,296
Beans & peas, dried (MT)	16	17	9,305	9,782	6	4	3,346	2,391
Other vegetables-prep/pres (NA)	--	--	167,226	173,409	--	--	37,645	43,087
Sugar and related products (NA)	--	--	276,346	286,002	--	--	67,219	70,157
Sugar - cane and beet (MT)	494	399	195,649	163,676	104	98	44,909	40,403
Molasses (HL)	249	2,679	16,727	22,726	32	761	642	7,950
Confectionery products (MT)	14	34	25,228	60,356	7	7	11,868	12,242
Other sugar & related prods (MT)	93	88	38,741	39,243	22	22	9,800	9,562
Spices (MT)	7	6	10,653	7,599	1	2	1,968	1,926
Tobacco - unmanufactured (MT)	48	57	146,135	170,322	15	13	46,545	40,579
Tobacco - filler (MT)	43	55	138,992	164,515	14	12	45,398	39,928
Tobacco - scrap (MT)	4	2	2,891	1,138	1	0	423	136
Other tobacco (MT)	2	0	4,252	4,669	0	0	724	515
Beverages, ex fruit juices (HL)	4,461	4,313	629,179	660,296	1,008	928	116,803	120,682
Wine (HL)	1,078	1,138	352,432	392,895	167	177	50,608	57,231
Malt beverages (HL)	3,076	2,893	252,910	247,566	799	671	63,080	57,895
Other beverages (HL)	307	282	23,837	19,835	41	81	3,115	5,557
Oilseeds & products (MT)	742	728	360,322	342,297	168	193	73,405	85,298
Oilseeds and oilnuts (MT)	167	216	59,873	76,339	57	61	21,633	23,982
Flaxseed (MT)	84	57	28,067	18,295	37	12	12,922	3,926
Sesameseed (MT)	11	14	9,168	16,077	4	5	3,135	6,114
Other oilseeds & oilnuts (MT)	72	144	22,638	41,967	15	43	5,576	13,942
Oils and waxes-vegetable (MT)	447	398	275,886	247,409	68	97	43,415	55,395
Castor oil (MT)	14	16	13,203	14,119	1	0	592	311
Coconut oil (MT)	124	191	67,814	89,201	19	47	9,834	20,405
Olive oil (MT)	30	27	47,754	53,316	5	6	8,471	11,753
Palm oil (MT)	49	34	20,597	10,131	7	14	2,779	4,109
Palm kernel oil (MT)	72	56	40,460	26,129	4	11	2,805	5,053
Other vegetable oils (MT)	158	75	86,057	54,512	33	18	18,933	13,763
Oilcake & meal (MT)	128	114	24,563	18,549	44	35	8,357	5,921
Cotton, excluding linters (MT)	0	0	827	101	0	0	619	19
Cotton linters (MT)	3	10	1,258	4,836	1	6	214	2,032
Seeds - field & garden (MT)	42	41	58,719	50,962	20	20	21,442	17,121
Cut flowers (NA)	--	--	95,823	99,776	--	--	21,514	27,524
Nursery stock, bulbs, etc. (NA)	--	--	50,317	86,820	--	--	13,296	14,457
Other vegetable prods (MT)	6	15	21,053	47,567	2	4	9,415	12,149
Selected non-ag imports (NA)	--	--	3,184,936	3,323,433	--	--	1,008,008	853,113
Fertilizers (MT)	5,912	5,250	598,348	504,699	1,818	1,898	220,558	155,356
Potassium (MT)	2,627	2,447	234,228	206,872	905	907	78,895	72,506
Nitrogen (MT)	2,484	1,491	290,506	209,303	554	619	107,674	57,758
Phosphate (MT)	642	1,306	47,824	87,339	356	371	33,324	24,667
Mixed or organic fertilizers (MT)	155	0	25,125	0	0	0	0	0
Fish (MT)	16,091	482	1,776,220	1,784,365	139	120	547,786	424,889
Fish fresh or prep (MT)	262	331	703,416	861,876	103	91	273,656	232,424
Shellfish (MT)	132	127	1,033,869	905,966	34	27	272,310	189,290
Fish prods, other (MT)	15,697	24	38,935	16,522	1	2	1,820	3,175
Agricultural chemicals (MT)	14	31	92,082	174,196	8	9	50,409	47,729
Fungicides (MT)	2	4	15,477	12,599	1	1	3,845	3,543
Herbicides (MT)	6	4	42,080	39,782	1	2	13,304	8,054
Insecticides (MT)	0	1	6,925	9,554	0	1	5,660	3,617
Other pesticides (MT)	6	22	27,600	112,261	6	5	27,600	32,515
Farm machinery (NA)	--	--	687,374	828,268	--	--	184,331	218,001
Tractors & self-prop mach (NO)	105	727	318,480	386,016	85	287	76,224	99,634
Other ag mach & parts (NA)	--	--	368,894	442,252	--	--	108,107	118,367
Tobacco - manufactures (NA)	--	--	30,913	31,905	--	--	4,924	7,138

Table 3--U.S. agricultural trade summary (\$ Million)

Item	Nov	Dec	Jan	FY to date	Chg. fm. prev. yr.
					Percent
Agricultural exports	3,654	3,559	3,758	14,363	5.5
Imports (c.i.f.)	2,026	1,972	2,310	8,337	5.4
Imports (Customs val.)	1,851	1,750	2,012	7,437	4.8
Trade Balance:					
Exports minus cif imports	1,629	1,586	1,448	6,026	5.5
Exports minus Customs valued imports	1,803	1,809	1,746	6,926	6.2

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Table 4--Leading U.S. Agricultural Export States (\$Mil) 1/

State	FY 1989	FY 1988	Percent change 88-89
U.S. total	39,651	35,379	12
1. California	3,561	3,402	5
2. Nebraska	2,984	2,121	41
3. Iowa	2,978	2,846	5
4. Kansas	2,845	2,326	22
5. Texas	2,640	2,247	17
6. Illinois	2,638	2,630	0
7. Minnesota	1,763	1,804	-2
8. Indiana	1,424	1,384	3
9. Washington	1,242	813	53
10. Missouri	1,225	1,100	11
11. Arkansas	1,212	907	34
12. Ohio	1,160	1,096	6
13. North Carolina	918	872	5
14. Colorado	884	673	31
15. Kentucky	841	729	15

1/ ERS estimates, based on NASS State production data.

Table 5--U.S. agricultural exports (\$ Million)

Commodity group	Nov	Dec	Jan	FY to date	Change from prev. year
					Percent
Total	3,654	3,559	3,758	14,363	5.5
Live animals	57	60	42	211	-25.0
Meat & preps	253	222	234	957	4.2
Dairy prod & eggs	34	28	25	127	-39.3
Animal fats	39	44	35	165	-12.5
Hides & skins	135	147	157	581	8.7
Wheat	305	362	347	1,407	-17.6
Rice	88	83	82	345	8.8
Corn	813	741	687	2,723	28.8
Other feed grains	73	81	110	368	9.6
Animal feeds	202	289	295	989	-15.0
Soybeans	467	407	472	1,798	-9.7
Vegetable oils	50	63	64	246	-11.8
Horticult. prods.	485	459	515	2,014	19.2
Cotton & linters	185	252	323	937	70.3
Tobacco, unmf.	193	114	122	535	4.8

Preliminary data.

Table 6--U.S. agricultural imports (\$ Million, Customs value)

Commodity group	Nov	Dec	Jan	FY to date	Change from prev. year
					Percent
Total	1,851	1,750	2,012	7,437	4.8
Live animals	94	120	95	364	31.6
Meat & preps.	221	237	240	916	13.7
Dairy prod, eggs	99	85	69	343	12.4
Grains & feeds	125	101	85	428	20.8
Fruits & nuts	252	243	336	1,066	3.6
Vegetables	154	176	322	794	35.8
Vegetable oils	61	66	55	247	-10.3
Wine	129	77	57	393	11.5
Malt beverages	70	58	58	248	-2.1
Coffee	159	152	177	700	-11.0
Cocoa	69	61	93	307	-6.5
Rubber, natural	66	52	59	244	-38.5
Sugar	51	34	40	164	-16.3
Tobacco, unmf.	40	42	41	170	16.6
Seeds, flowers	68	52	59	238	16.0

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